

## THE COCONINO SUN.

done, THE SUN has serious doubts about a railroad being constructed to the Grand Canyon in this generation.

The candidates for town offices are plentiful. The choice seems to be the offices of clerk, marshal and supervisor of streets. It may be that the candidates imagine there is a small Klondike in these offices, but the new town council may conclude to reduce the salaries.

J. F. Pearce, special agent of the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York, returned Tuesday. Mr. Pearce intends making Flagstaff his home and will bring his family here. The company he represents is one of the leading insurance companies of the United States.

H. F. Banta has received from a prominent poultry house in Kansas twenty-four pure-blooded Plymouth Rock chickens. Poultry raising in this country is very profitable. Fresh eggs sell the year round for 35 cents per dozen and dressed chickens at 18 cents per pound.

The old settler who says that this has been the coldest winter ever known here is simply "talking through his hat." If he will consult the records it will be found that there was about three months of pretty frigid weather last year, while this year the month of January was the only one that contained any cold weather.

As was previously announced, the next meeting of the literary society will be held at the court house on Friday evening, March 11. The question, "Resolved, that the United States government should recognize the independence of Cuba," will be discussed. E. S. Clark and G. W. Glowner will hold the affirmative and T. S. Bunch and Rev. H. P. Corser will appear on the negative. The programme will contain, in addition to the debate, vocal and instrumental music and recita-

tions, and will be announced in full next week. Admission free. Everybody invited.

Cumberland Michael, who left here in the latter part of January for Klondike, returned Wednesday. He got as far as Skaguay, but concluded that he would not undertake the 800 mile walk to Klondike. Messrs. Campbell, Ward, Stiles and Lewis will go to Klondike, and they were about ready to leave Skaguay when Micheal left.

E. S. Clark of Flagstaff attended the miners' convention in Phoenix in full force. He was not only there in person but carried six life-sized miners down there in his vest pocket in the shape of proxies. Mr. Clark was formerly engaged in mining in this county. He is all right in either a miners' or a political convention, and is a good all round lawyer besides.—Journal Miner.

The sheep men who went to the Salt River valley last fall with their flocks find the grass in the valley short at this season and they are compelled to move their herds to the foothills. They will all be back in the mountains as soon as they can get there. It is not probable that many flocks will be taken to Salt River valley next winter, as grass and water are uncertain quantities in that section.

Frank C. Reid of Flagstaff, who is visiting friends in the valley, will go to Tucson tonight, returning on Tuesday morning. While in Tucson he will deliver his lecture on the Moqui Indian snake dance, which he will repeat in the Baptist church in this city on Tuesday evening next. He has some seventy-five or eighty stereopticon views of points of interest in northern Arizona, including the Grand Canyon, Montezuma's Castle and Well and of the Indians engaged in their wierd snake dance, which will be exhibited under a powerful light. This promises to be one of the most attractive events of the season.—Phoenix Herald.